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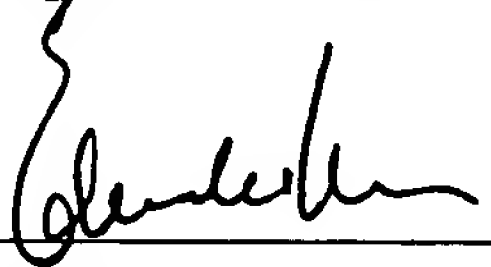
executed by one of said functional units, and provides a current state vector  
representing states of instructions of said currently received instructions.

REMARKS

Claims 1-9 are pending. Claim 1 is amended to more particularly point out and distinctly claim Applicant's invention.

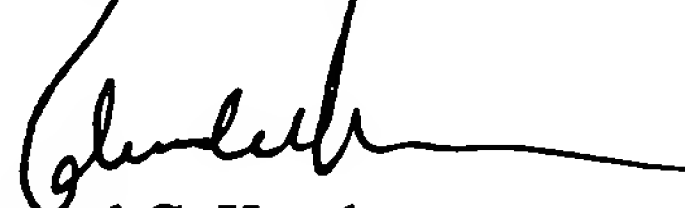
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